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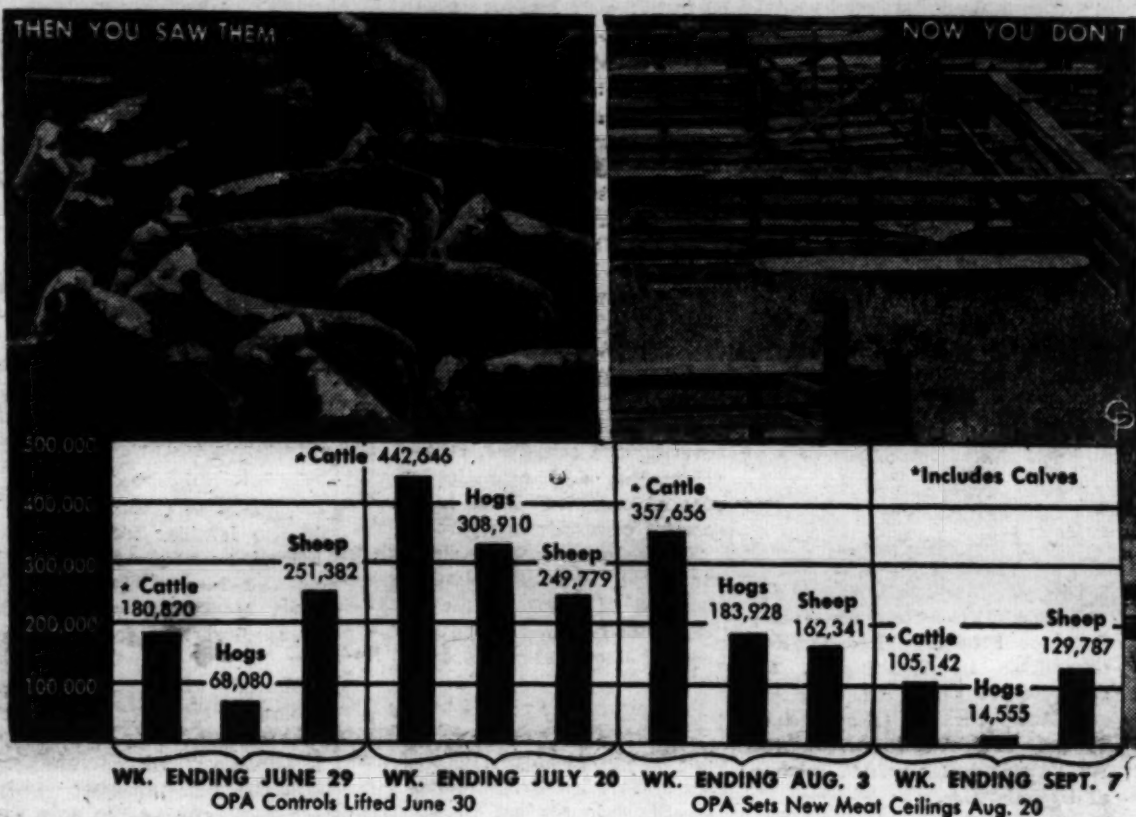
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THE POLITICAL GAME BEHIND MEAT CRISIS



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THE UPS AND DOWNS OF MEAT: The packers' sitdown against meat production is shown in the chart above of live-stock received at 12 big midwest packing centers.

Workers Pay Tribute To Mario Russo

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The Last Pleas of the Nazi Criminals

By John Fisher

(Central European correspondent, Australian Broadcasting Commission; press attache, Australian Legation to USSR, 1942-44; Moscow correspondent, London Daily Telegraph and Morning Post, 1944-1946).

(Second of two articles on the Nuernberg trial).

NUERNBERG, Sept. 27.

Thousands of people of many countries, passing through the courtroom in the last ten months, have gazed with curiosity and loathing at Goering and the others; one feels that one is looking at strange creatures in a cage, some more or less wild, others cowed and tame, passing from the scene "not with a bang but with a whimper." In their ears may echo the curses of the millions of war dead, the moans and screams of millions of men, women and children murdered and maimed,

frozen and starved to death, gassed or burnt alive to feed the flames of Nazi lust.

Take a good look at this historic courtroom in shattered Nuernberg. It is not very large, is paneled in brown with whitewashed upper walls, to frame a brown flat, fairly lofty ceiling where long lamps give the impression of open skylights.

NUERNBERG, Sept. 27—Wives and children of the Nuernberg war crimes defendants were told today they must leave town Sunday and cannot be present when verdicts are pronounced on the 21 top Nazi leaders Monday or Tuesday.

The president of the tribunal, Lord Justice Lawrence, and the other British judge, Justice Norman Birchett, have their Soviet colleagues on their right—Gen. Nikitchenko and Col. Volchkov, in uniform—while on their left are ex-Atty.-Gen. Francis Biddle and Judge John J. Parker of the USA,

and M. Donnedieu de Vabres and M. Falco of France.

Facing the bench are the de-



GOERING

fendants in the dock, guarded by frozen-faced American troops who carry white batons to go with their gleaming white steel helmets and immaculate summer uniforms.

Goering is nearest to the press seats, and with him in the front row of the dock are sitting Hess, Ribbentrop, Keitel, Kaltenbrunner, Rosenberg, Fränk, Frick, Streicher, Funk and Schacht. Nearest in the second row are the naval commanders Doenitz and Raeder, with Schirach, Sauckel, Jodl, Papen, Seyss-Inquart, Speer, Neurath and Fritzsche.

At a word from the tribunal, Goering rises to make his last plea. Fifty-three years old, he looks like a middle-aged gorilla queerly clad in a pearl-gray suit which would be immaculate if it did not hang loosely on his broad frame.

Goering is said to have lost much weight since the trial began but still looks better nourished than most people in Eu-

rope. His massive head with its keen features would look more impressive without the stick-out ears, the abnormally long upper lip and the wide cruel bestial mouth.

It is said he is the master-mind among the denizens of the dock, coordinating their work even to the point of trying to fit their last statements into a deliberately complex pattern. If so the results have not been very remarkable. Goering's own last plea, read clearly and coldly, was lacking in fire. But it was certainly aimed to obtain the best propaganda effect in Germany.

Although Hitler's last words on Goering were not exactly complimentary, Goering by juggling the prosecutor's remarks managed to suggest that he was the God-ordained successor of the Fuehrer, but of course not responsible for any of what he admitted were the "awful crimes" and "terrible" (Continued on Page 8)

WORLD EVENTS

George II Returns to Greece As Regime Terrorizes People

King George II, better known as Mr. Glucksburg, because he comes from a Danish-German royal family of that name, returned to Athens yesterday in a private plane from London, amid increasing chaos caused by monarchist assaults on Greek anti-fascists.

George arrived at an undisclosed airfield near Athens and boarded a Greek destroyer that will bring him to the capital this morning, where a ceremonial procession will end at the Athens Cathedral.

The transfer from plane to the warship was made in darkness, and the monarchist government was clearly nervous about the king's arrival.

In the meantime, with heavy fighting in many parts of Greece, the Communist Party put forward a six-point proposal to end the warfare and restore order.

According to reports, the Communists warned of "widespread resistance" to the monarchist-fascist regime unless its proposals were accepted.

They are:

1—Formation of a coalition government which would include the Left united front—the EAM.

2—Withdrawal of British troops from the country.

3—Amnesty to political prisoners now being herded into Greece's "Devil's Islands."

3—A clean-up of fascist influence in the Army.

5 — A clean-up of the registry books for the constitutional assembly.

6—A foreign policy based on equal friendship for all Allies.

NO INDICATION

Yesterday's United Press gave no indication of the reaction to the Communist proposals, which were timed with the arrival of the king and the widespread fighting in Thes-

saly and Macedonia.

Fighting was said to have abated after guerrilla units in the village of Descati were mopped up.

Government army forces patrolled the highways to the Albanian and Yugoslav frontiers, but no incidents were reported.

Foreign sources have denied the government charges that non-Greek formations have been helping the anti-fascist guerrillas. The Leftist press yesterday ridiculed the charges.

Meanwhile, the Right was dismayed yesterday by the government's withdrawal of territorial claims against Albania, which took place the day before at the Paris peace conference.

Some voices urged the Tsaldaris cabinet to resign, and the bottom seems to have dropped out of the campaign against Greece's neighbors, which had been focussed on democratic Albania.

Tsaldaris insisted the Big Four would study the Greek claims later. But the Paris conference itself no longer has them on the agenda.

King George, who had lived in the luxurious Hotel Claridge in London, bade farewell to British royalty early Friday morning. Rooftops in Athens have been cleared for him, and everybody within 100 yards of his route in Athens will be under special guard as he arrives.

Murray Asks U.S.-Soviet Labor Unite for Peace

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—American and Soviet workers today were urged to unite to guarantee peace, democracy and equality among nations. A joint statement by CIO

president Philip Murray and secretary Mikhail P. Tarasov of the Central Council of Soviet Trade Unions said workers of the two countries "are determined to have peace and will combat and expose the efforts of all reactionary forces to sow seeds of disunity among the peoples."

The two leaders spoke in behalf of the American-Soviet Trade Union Committee, which has just concluded its first meeting here. Murray and Tarasov are co-chairmen of the group.

"We have had a full discussion covering the structure, current developments and activities on the part of organized labor in our respective countries," they reported.

"Our talks have added strength to our common efforts to improve the standard of living of the working people and to assure the full enjoyment of democratic rights and liberties."

Program of the committee is: 1—Strengthening of world labor unity and friendship between American and Soviet trade unions.

2—Struggle against the persecution of labor unions and the rights of workers.

3 — Full representation of the World Federation of Trade Unions in the United Nations.

4—Maintenance of peace and enjoyment of democracy.

5 — Mutual assistance and exchange of information about developments and activities relating to workers in both countries.

6—Exchange of trade union delegates.

CIO members of the committee, besides Murray, are secretary-treasurer James Carey, vice presidents R. J. Thomas, Albert J. Fitzgerald and Frank Rosenblum, and General Counsel Lee Pressman.

Trieste Dispute May Be Sent to Big 4 Ministers

The peace conference dispute on Trieste appeared heading for the Big Four Foreign Ministers' Council yesterday after the Trieste subcommittee virtually admitted failure in efforts to draft a statute for the proposed "free" territory.

Soviet delegate K. V. Novikov recommended the subcommittee make a brief report to the Italian political commission stating that agreement on major points was impossible.

The political commission may appeal to the Big Four Foreign Ministers.

Pepper to Talk For Demos

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (UP).—Sen. Claude Pepper, (D-Fla.), accepted a Democratic national com-

AFL Painters Local Hits Foreign Policy

A resolution protesting the Truman administration's "departure from the policies of our late president Roosevelt" was passed unanimously at a membership meeting of AFL Painters, local 848, New York.

Score Vatican Move in Italy

Radio Moscow charged yesterday that the Catholic Church is attempting to upset the present political alignment in Italy and bring a reactionary government into power.

The dispatch said church circles are "trying to bring about a merger of the reactionary 'Frente del Uomo Qualunque' (Party of the Common Man) with various royalist factions and the remnants of the liberal party."

mittee "peace bid" tonight and agreed to devote most of October to a speaking campaign in behalf of Democratic nominees in the forthcoming congressional election.



WORLD
BRIEFS

Byrnes to Air 'Tough' Policy

SECRETARY OF STATE Byrnes is expected to defend his "get-tough-with-Russia" policy next Thursday in a speech before the American Club in Paris. Byrnes is said to dislike the "get-tough" tag on his policy and will try to sell it as a "firm-but-friendly" one.

ALCIDE DE GASPERI'S government in Rome got 331-58 vote of confidence in the Assembly yesterday, but UP reports "considerable popular dissatisfaction with the slow progress of his program for renovating the domestic economy." Telephone workers in five privately owned companies struck for equal pay with government operators, Rome's firemen are also planning to strike. De Gasperi sent the right-wing Socialist Giuseppe Saragat to the Paris parley yesterday, remaining in Rome himself.

THE SOVET PUBLIC is debating in the familiar topic of whether detective stories are good or bad, as the Moscow paper, Vechernaya Moskva, rapped the Soviet Army librarians for recommending Conan Doyle's "Sherlock Holmes." The paper said the Holmes stories overemphasize "the strength of private property institutions" and conceal the contradictions of capitalist reality.

BRITAIN WILL SPEND \$80,000,000 for rocket-research stations and testing ranges in the next three years, the London Daily Express said yesterday. Most of the work will be done in the Central Australian desert, where 1,300 aborigines have been moved out. The government made "no statement" on the report.

"FUTURE AGGRESSORS" shouldn't take advantage of Japan's renunciation of war, a British parliamentary delegation said in Tokyo yesterday, because the UN will protect Japan. The delegation, headed by Tory MP. Fitzroy Maclean, found morale of British occupation troops good but said "the question of companionship" is a problem. MacArthur was lauded by the Tory MP for his "faith in Japan."

GEN. DOUGLAS MACARTHUR rapped a statement from Lt. Gen. Louis Brereton yesterday, whose diaries alleged that the "great Douglas" stymied a US attack on Formosa immediately after Pearl Harbor. Brereton was defending his record in the Philippines.

Bevin Comments On Stalin Statement

LONDON, Sept. 27 (UP).—Foreign Minister Bevin told the night he agreed with Premier Josef Stalin that war was not likely at the present.

Speaking before his constituency at Mandsworth, Bevin referred to Stalin's recent foreign policy statement and said:

"I do not know anybody who is asking for war. There is one kind of war that must stop if we are to get peace—that is the war of nerves that has left some countries in a state of disturbance."

Stalin declared on Tuesday he saw no danger of a new war.

Chinese Leaders Cable Plea That U.S. Withdraw Troops

American troops should be withdrawn from China immediately, a group of 16 distinguished Chinese educators, moderate political leaders and the staffs of leading Chinese magazines and newspapers demanded yesterday in two cablegrams received by the National Committee to Win the Peace.

Supporting the "Get-out-of-China" campaign sponsored by the Win the Peace group headed by Brig. Gen. Evans F. Carlson, USMCR (retired), the leaders of the China Democratic League and distinguished professors expressed the hope American public opinion would end U. S. intervention in behalf of the Kuomintang.

American troops remaining on Chinese soil a year after V-J Day and after the completion of the repatriation of Japanese prisoners constitutes "intervention" in China's affairs, they cabled.

A similar cablegram from writers and the staffs of numerous important Chinese publications reported Wallace's speech and the "Get-out-of-China Week," were "opportune" at a time when China's civil war was spreading.

The "Get-out-of-China" campaign

is being waged by Win the Peace committees in 35 major cities, and 400,000 signatures have already been collected on petitions and telegrams to Truman.

The "Get-out-of-China" activities will be climaxed by a national conference on China and the Far East in San Francisco, Oct. 18 to 20. More than 750 delegates are expected.

The cablegram from the Chinese educators and political leaders was signed by General Chang Wen, chairman of the Kwangtung Branch of the China Democratic League; Li Chang-ta, Chiu Che, Li Pe-chiu, members of the Central Executive Committee of the China Democratic League; Peng Tze-min, chairman of the South China Relief Society; Dr. Chen Ju-tang; Peng Yu-fang, chairman, Hong Kong Branch China Democratic League; Professors Chen

Chi-yuan, Chien Chie-chu, Shen Chih-yuan, Ti Chiao-pe, Yang Pekai, and Chen Tsi-seng; Hwang Yo-mien, noted writer; and Sa Kung-liao and Liu Sze-mu, editors.

The King Returns

By Alan Max

The return of King George to Greece set off a tumultuous demonstration. It is reported that as the king set foot in Athens, a huge parade of secretaries, assistant secretaries and under-secretaries got under way in the corridors of the British Foreign Office in London.

From there, it is reported, the demonstration spread like wildfire to the great plains of the State Department building in Washington as pencils, diplomatic pouches and pads of ultimatum paper were tossed high into the air in gay abandon.

It is also rumored that George's landing was accompanied by a 21-gun salute—pointed at 21 Greek republicans.

LABOR and the NATION

The Political Game Behind the Meat Crisis

The current "meat shortage" is nothing but a clumsy squeeze play against the country and the government. It has been engineered by the Chicago Meat Trust, on the one hand, and the crafty Republican Party "brain trusters" on the other.

It is a heartless, crooked hold-up intended to win huge profits for the packers and cattle-owners.

It is intended equally to win votes for the Republican Party in the coming elections. Their theory is that if the country can be thrown into panic and chaos, the voters will demand a "change."

It is not the dumb animal hogs and cattle who are on strike against the American people.

It is the human hogs who buy and sell America's meat who have figured out this profiteers' "strike"—to create an artificial famine for the purpose of looting the country they always profess to love so much.

The role of the Truman Government in this crisis has been cowardly and ineffective.

Even from the standpoint of narrow partisan politics, the Truman Administration has let the Republican Party Hooverites jockey it into a ridiculous position.

First, some Democratic Party forces worked with the GOP in a bi-partisan coalition to kill OPA as an effective curb on the profiteers, with Truman yielding 90 percent to Senator Taft's bullying.

Then, when the crippled OPA fails to keep prices down, the GOP-Meat Trust combination goes to work on a profiteering strike in order to force a complete wrecking of the price control machinery, and make the government look guilty for the meat "shortage."

Truman's refusal to follow the panicky advice of his vote-hungry advisers in the Democratic Party machine who want to let the packers have "freedom" to loot America for 90 days may look virtuous. But it solves nothing.

It will not change the situation any UNLESS it is accompanied by decisive

measures it is accompanied by decisive the meat yards and COMPEL the cattle-owning gang to cease their blackmailing the nation.

Rep. Sabath charges straight out that there is conspiracy to withhold cattle. This flouts the anti-trust law.

The Department of Justice, which trembles when some progressive American exercises his right of free speech, has got to be forced to take action against the meat profiteers' conspiracy.

The CIO wants Truman to turn the heat on the Big Business meat trust. Truman didn't need any prodding to use extraordinary powers against railroad labor.

The Chicago packers have shown that their "free enterprise" philosophy is nothing but the alibi for unrestrained looting of the country through monopoly. It means freedom for them to rob the people of their wages.

The Truman Government should immediately hear from an aroused nation,

from trade union and people's organizations, the following common sense demands:

1. Take over the stockyards and packing plants at once and start processing meat.

2. Open up all the warehouses and cold-storage lockers—there are millions of pounds of meat hoarded there for higher prices.

3. Arrest at once all black market operators and slap them into jail for long terms.

Behind the "meat crisis" is a political frame-up.

The people cannot let the reactionary GOP gang escape their share of responsibility.

Let the country get up on its hind legs and knock this frame-up to pieces. It must compel the government to act against the profit hogs.

MEAT TRUST PROFITS UP 200% FOR LAST 3 YEARS

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—While the meat packers have been yelling bloody murder about OPA control they have been reaping the biggest profits in history, the CIO's Economic Outlook reported today.

During 1942-45 they suffered such hardships under OPA they only raised their profits 200 percent over the 1936-39 level, according to government figures. In the 1936-39 period the six major meat producers averaged \$13,200,000 in profits after taxes. In 1942-45 they averaged a mere \$38,700,000.

The big six are Swift, Armour, Wilson, Cudahy, Morrell and Hormel.

Their plight is reflected in similar returns in other industries—250 percent in textiles, 200 percent for American Woolen Company, 100 percent for Goodyear Tire and Rubber, and the National Dairy Company only scored a 70 percent profit increase in the first half of 1946 over the previous year.

Injunction Victory Spurs Power Strike

By Calvin Brook

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 27.—The power strike of 3,500 employees of the Duquesne Light Co., affecting Allegheny and Beaver counties is tightening. The independent union



Street cars idle in Pittsburgh

which only yesterday was under an anti-strike injunction and contempt charges is organizing its picket lines. The street car operators union, AFL, announced it will respect picket lines and transportation which was at 25 percent strength yesterday—after a one-day total walk-out of trolley and bus employees—was about to be discontinued last night.

George L. Mueller, union president, who last night met with company representatives, declared the new offer is unacceptable to the union. It includes a 5 percent raise and one additional paid holiday. The union's demands include a 20 percent raise, a master contract for all units, a profit sharing plan in which workers and customers would participate and a union shop.

Power output dropped to 38 percent of what it was before the strike. Department stores, many office buildings and industrial establishments are closed and more than

70,000 are idle.

Power is available to homes, hospitals and institutions.

Allegheny County labor is hailing one of the greatest victories it achieved through united protest action when the Common Pleas Court threw out the injunction, released Mueller who was sentenced to a one-year prison term and discontinued contempt charges against other strike leaders.

"Withdrawal of the injunction was a victory for the entire labor movement," Anthony J. Federoff, president of the Steel City Industrial Union Council, stated.

"Our membership took strong action in demanding release of Mueller and the lifting of the injunction and we are proud of our achievement," declared John A. Metcalfe, president of Local 601, UE-CIO.

Truman, Cabinet Confer on Meat

Demands for government seizure of the packing industry mounted yesterday as President Truman hurriedly called his cabinet into session to discuss the meat crisis. The city CIO yesterday declared the meat trust has "cold-bloodedly locked

the door to the nation's meat supply in a devilish scheme to win higher profits from the national emergency the packers have willfully created."

In a wire to Truman, which praised his stand for retention of controls, Saul Mills, executive secretary of the City CIO, declared:

"Government can and must act immediately to release the vast supply of hoarded meat and to force resumption of operations in the packing industry."

MEAD ASKS PROBE

Sen. James M. Mead, Democratic candidate for governor in New York State, called upon the Department of Justice to look into the meat shortage to determine whether it is a "conspiracy" and to bring about a return of meat supplies.

The cabinet showdown came after Democratic National chairman Robert Hannegan went to the White House with a petition from party leaders which reflected a break in Democratic ranks on continued controls. Hannegan, himself, had said the day before he would ask the Price Decontrol Board to consider the meat crisis with a possible view to lifting ceilings.

After the cabinet session, he told reporters he and the Democratic executive committee would go along with the President on his meat policy.

Hannegan insisted the meat shortage would hurt the Republicans the most, because, he said, "they're responsible for it."

MORE PRICE HIKES

The OPA announced it would grant price increases next week for meat dishes based on June 30 ceilings plus an "increase factor."

Restaurants had refused to carry out an OPA order to rollback prices on meat dishes to June 30 levels.

Maj. Gen. T. B. Larkin, Army Quartermaster General, said the priority order issued earlier this week has been scaled down to 12,000,000 pounds, and that soldiers would have to get along on more substitutes.

In New York City, the Department of Markets reported that, for the first time on record, more poultry than meat was being marketed.

C. F. House, market news analyst of the Department of Agriculture, said 75 percent of the branch packing houses in the city were empty.

CHICAGO Sept. 27.—Congress-

man Adolph J. Sabath told the Daily Worker here today the big packers "have notified their buyers not to ship livestock. Their conduct," he added, "is outrageous. There is no question that the present meat shortage is a huge conspiracy on the part of big packers."

NATIONAL SCENE
A&P FINED BY GOV'T FOR FOOD MONOPOLY

A FEDERAL COURT fined the A&P and 24 officers and subsidiaries \$175,000 for conspiracy to control a substantial part of the national food business in violation of anti-trust laws. Judge Walter C. Lindley, sitting in Danville, Ill., imposed the fines against 10 A&P firms and 15 individuals, including George L. and John A. Hartford, president and vice-president of the New York A&P; Carl Byoir, public relations counsel and chairman of the board of the Board of Business Organizations, Inc., an A&P subsidiary.

SCIENTISTS, peering through their new "atomic spectacles," within a few years should be able to determine what causes life to

begin, Dr. E. Newton Harvey, Princeton University biologist, predicted. The "atomic spectacles" are the electronic microscope and X-ray diffraction techniques.

SOME SURPLUS GOODS shipped back from the Pacific might better have been dumped in the ocean, Brig. Gen. T. M. Osborne told the Senate War Investigating Committee. He said items like mosquito repellent and waterproofing were among the "useless" items.

THE ARMY ordered the discharge of non-essential GIs—inductees only—whose term expires within the next six months.

DAVIS ON TROY RADIO TO TELL STORY OF CP BALLOT FIGHT

TROY, N. Y., Sept. 27.—The people of Rensselaer county will hear the full story of the drive to rule the Communist party off the ballot Monday at 6:45 p. m., over WTRY, when City Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Communist nominee for attorney general will speak on "New York, not Mississippi."

The Troy Record, in an effort to keep from the people the truth about this un-American plot to deprive New York citizens of their voting rights, has turned down a political advertisement of the Communist Party.

Meanwhile, the Democratic machine is meeting little success in its attempts to get signers of Communist nominating petitions to repudiate their signatures.

Fund Drive to Fight V. D. Opens Oct. 7

A drive to raise \$300,000 to combat venereal disease open here Oct. 7, with Mayor William O'Dwyer as honorary chairman and Maj. Gen. Irving J. Phillipson (ret.), wartime head of Army Relief, as chairman, the American Social Hygiene Association announced yesterday.

Real Wages Cut 19% Since April '45

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Real wages are 19 percent below April, 1945, and they are still going down as prices go up, the CIO said today. Corporation profits, however, averaged 150 percent in 1945 over the 1939 level, and they're still climbing, a study of government figures revealed.

It all proves that wage increases do not cause high prices, concluded the new **Economic Outlook**, publication of the CIO research and education department.

In April, 1945, the average worker in manufacturing industries was earning \$47.12 a week, according to the U.S. Labor Department. In July he was earning \$43.07 because of a reduced work week.

"That amounts to a cut of around nine percent," the **Outlook** commented, "instead of an increase of 18 percent," which Big Business claims every worker has obtained since V-E Day. Because of shorter hours the worker's take-home pay is still less despite the hourly pay increases he has won.

"It should be pretty clear that Joe Worker can't buy as much meat, vegetables, clothing, furniture, or other essential goods as he did in April, 1945," says the **Outlook**. "In fact if you add the sharp price rise (13 percent since April, 1945) to the \$4.05 cut in money wages, poor Joe finds that his weekly pay check is now worth 19 percent less than it was in 1945."

MYTH EXPLODED

Exploding the "high wage—high price" myth, the **Outlook** noted that over a great part of American history wages steadily increased while prices were reduced. Between 1923 and 1939 prices of manufactured goods fell 25 percent while wages rose 15 percent.

Citing several instances to prove its point, the **Outlook** said employers in the past have always tightened up on other costs of production to make up for wage increases. They did it by increasing plant efficiency through better management, utilization of machinery, scheduling the flow of production, improved selection of materials and application of skilled labor.

Now, however, employers insist that prices are going up because some wages are rising.

A recent University of Chicago study of four plants, all equipped with the same machinery, producing the same product and adhering to approximately the same production schedule disclosed:

"In the most efficient plant the direct labor cost per gas mask assembly was approximately 52 cents. In the other three plants unit la-

bor costs varied from about 61 cents to 87 cents.

"The workers in the plant with the 52-cent labor cost had average take-home pay of approximately \$1.17 an hour, whereas the take-home pay of employees in the other plants ranged from about 72 cents to \$1 per hour. To top it off, the total cost of gas masks in the most efficient plant was less than that of any of the other manufacturers."

In other words, the plant paying the highest wages was producing at the lowest unit cost.

To clinch the argument, the article points out that labor costs are only 25 percent of production expenses. Therefore, when pay is raised 10 percent, employers logically can ask for a price increase of one-fourth that amount, or 2½ percent. However, they inevitably ask for the entire 10 percent.

"Manufacturers could easily absorb this slight increase in unit labor costs without raising prices," the **Outlook** concludes. "The drive for higher prices . . . stems from management's seemingly unquenchable thirst for ever-higher profits."



HOLLYWOOD COPS arrested a picket at one of the seven big movie studios where AFL carpenters and painters are conducting a strike.

Dockmen Fight Offer Accepted by Ryan

Stormy objection to the meager 15-cent-an-hour wage increase accepted by Joseph Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, is rising in key ILA locals in the port of New York.

Score Firing of Blind Workers

The dismissal of blind workers of the New York Guild for Jewish Blind for union activity was called yesterday "the most repressive action undertaken by any employer in recent employee-employer relations."

The statement was made by Saul Mills, secretary of the City CIO, in a letter to Leonard Waldstein, president of the Guild.

Sixteen Guild employees were fired for participating on their own time in a picketline demonstration which hit the Guild's refusal to recognize the Social Service Employees Union, local 19, United Office and Professional Workers, CIO.

Furniture Union Strike Solid

Fighting "sweat shop conditions, 350 Negro and white workers of the Kay Manufacturing Co. in Brooklyn, yesterday marked the 12th day of strike for a 30 percent raise and 35 hour week. This strike is led by Local 76, CIO United Furniture Workers.

After seven weeks of negotiating, the company stood pat on their top offer of a five-cent hourly raise, a speed-up "merit" system and gratuitous advice that the workers learn to live within their means.

Strike headquarters are at the offices of the CIO Food and Tobacco Workers, 178 Columbia St., Brooklyn.

Stepinac Goes On Trial Mon.

BELGRADE, Sept. 27 (UP).—Archbishop Aloysius Stepinac will go on trial for his life Monday at Zagreb along with 18 other alleged Croatian "nationalists," including 12 priests and monks, accused of treason.

Great Victory in Pittsburgh

AN EDITORIAL

The decision of Pittsburgh's Common Pleas judges to dissolve their own injunction against Duquesne Light and Power Co. strikers and to vacate their own jail sentences upon union leaders, is a great victory for labor, and testimony to the power of labor unity.

It is equally a great victory for democratic rights for all the people for it was a blow against a vicious power monopoly.

Reaction took a long shot in its program of stepping up anti-labor repression. Never before has a court gone as far as to order union leaders to call off a strike and "convince" their members to accept a company's terms. Never before has a court been used to blackmail union leaders into strike breaking.

ELEVEN UNIONS ACTED

The issue was plainly one of involuntary servitude vs. free unionism and all sections of the labor movement caught the significance quickly. More than 40,000 workers of AFL and CIO unions stopped work and a general stoppage would have swept Pittsburgh had not the city made its requests for dissolution of the injunction and had not the judges bowed to the unity of labor.

The conspiracy related to the

issuance of the injunction had far greater than local significance. The country was to be given a lesson on streamlined and "legal" strike breaking. The viciousness behind it was shown in the summary year jail sentence (now vacated) that was slapped upon president George L. Mueller of the independent union.

BATTLE ISN'T OVER

The power trust lest, the conspiracy boomeranged, thanks to the lightning, united upsurge of Pittsburgh's unionists. But the battle isn't over. The power trust is still arrogant. The labor movement must still show the union-busters that they cannot force a measly five percent raise down the throats of the workers.

Moreover, the workers must show that they are as alert politically as they were, through use of their economic strength. The Republican machine of Pennsylvania's governor Martin must be shown that it cannot capitalize upon the situation because some of those who lent themselves to the power trust bear a Democratic label. The powerful labor movement of Pittsburgh must exercise a political independence such as will repudiate anti-labor forces under whatever label they show themselves.

Woodard Asks Capital USES Cop Be Punished Bans Jimcrow

Punishment of the cop who gouged out his eyes "may keep the same thing from happening to some more of our boys coming back home," Isaac Woodard Jr., said yesterday.

The Negro veteran was blinded by Police Chief Linwood L. Shull of Batesburg, S. C., seven months ago on return from the army.

On learning yesterday Shull has been formally charged with violating the Civil Rights statute of the Constitution and that a criminal information had been filed by the Justice Department in Columbia, S. C., Woodard said:

"I want him punished. I think he should be punished until the day he dies. I wouldn't have him go through what I went through, though."

If Shull is found guilty of the outrage on Woodward, he faces penalties of one year in prison and \$1,000 fine.

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Segregation of whites and Negroes in local USES offices was forbidden today in an order by Secretary of Labor Lewis Schwollenbach.

The order, effective Sept. 30, climaxed a two-months campaign by the Washington CIO Council.

Schwollenbach said the new set-up "will eliminate separate lines for job applicants, separate sets of interviewers, two sets of files, and other duplicate operations."

Welfare Council Changes Urged

Twenty-one proposals to reorganize the Welfare Council "along stable and democratic lines" are urged in a report made public yesterday by the Temporary Reconstruction Committee.

The proposals will be placed Oct. 15 before the delegate body representing the council's member agencies.

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Drive to Rule Communists Off Ballot Shows Demo Party Crisis

By Max Gordon

The campaign to drive the Communist Party off the ballot in New York reveals the extent of the crisis within the Democratic Party.

The campaign was initiated by powerful local Democratic machines, largely under reactionary leadership. Most county leaders involved were sympathetic to James A. Farley's opposition to an alliance with labor in the state elections.

Though State Democratic chairman Paul Fitzpatrick has officially disclaimed responsibility, part of the Democratic apparatus throughout the state is now involved in the attempt to eliminate the Communist Party.

If the State leadership is not responsible, it is at least bowing to reactionary pressures in going along with the attempt.

Democratic spokesmen who try to justify it from a tactical point of view argue their primary interest is in garnering the Communist vote for their nominees for comptroller and attorney general, the two offices for which the Communists have candidates in the field.

KNOW BETTER

If the Communist nominees are knocked out, they maintain, the vote will go to the ALP, whose can-

didates are the same as the Democrats'.

Actually, however, that argument is no longer given or taken seriously. The more astute Democratic politicians know that as far as the progressives are concerned, the attack on the Communist candidates will hurt the entire ticket, including comptroller and attorney general.

Communists and progressive workers generally are known as the most effective doorbell ringers. They have been responsible for increasing enormously the size of the electorate in recent years, particularly in the city.

Their activity in the current campaign may make a difference of several hundred thousand in the size of the city registration, a factor essential to victory for Mead and Lehman.

Actually, the Democratic state leadership has not opposed the anti-Communist drive to date because it is attempting to conciliate the reactionary elements within the Democratic Party, those who are kicking because Farley's policies were not adopted.

Democratic leaders are thus trying to ride two horses in opposite directions. They want the Communist vote for their candidates, and they want to appear as the champions

of anti-Communism at the same time.

They are campaigning on a platform of liberalism as against Republican reaction, and they are trying to vie with the GOP in wooing the reactionaries through red-baiting.

Obviously, they cannot continue to do both with any success. Their one chance to beat Gov. Dewey is to stand squarely behind progress and in opposition to GOP reaction. They have to offer a clean-cut alternative to Dewey, and anti-Communist persecution is scarcely that.

Among the reactionary Democratic leaders who initiated the drive against the Communists, there are some who are not worried by loss of support from progressive labor. They prefer a Dewey victory with a small ALP vote to a Mead victory with a large ALP vote. That, however, is not true of the State leadership.

But if the state leaders have gone along as a result of pressure from the right, it is clear they can be forced to desist only as a result of stronger pressure from the other direction. That pressure has to come not only from those who are alarmed at the threat to civil liberties, but from those who really want to defeat Dewey.

Lehman to Speak On Foreign Policy

Former Gov. Herbert H. Lehman, Democratic-American Labor candidate for U. S. Senate, will make a 15-minute radio speech on foreign policy tonight. Lehman's speech has been awaited with wide interest.

Lehman is known to have different views from his rival for the

Senate, GOP candidate Irving Ives.

Lehman's address will be made in the studios of WABC and will be carried on a statewide CBS system from 6 to 6:15 p.m.

Ives in his foreign policy stand endorsed the Vandenberg - Byrnes policy of "getting tough" with the Soviet Union and has urged suppression of debate on foreign affairs under the guise of a bi-partisan approach.

One of Ives' pet schemes is to settle all issues by discussion among leaders of both parties, removing popular sentiment as a factor in the decisions. He has advocated this method for settling foreign policy and labor disputes.

At a National Citizens Political Action Committee luncheon Tuesday Lehman urged a foreign policy to bring about a full agreement with the Soviet Union. He declared that while there might be differences about the method, there could be no disagreement with the aim. He did not indicate, however, what policies he advocated to bring about such an agreement.

Ives, in an address yesterday before the New Rochelle Republican club, identified himself with the record of the Republican Party since 1932. He assailed the steps taken by the Roosevelt administration to improve living standards, and echoed the slogans of the long-dead Liberty League.



LEHMAN

To Speak on Foreign Policy

Ships' Officers Dump Captain Bligh

By Art Shields

Captain Bligh would go nuts on an American Liberty ship this month if he heard the second mate talking about his "beefs" with the company as the contract of his union was about to ebb out Sept. 30.

Men used to be "flogged through the fleet" for less than that in Bligh's days.

William McFee, one-time novelist and chief engineer on Caribbean fruit liners, who scolds at sea unions in the literary section of the New York Sun in his old age, would have a heavy heart, too. The sea ain't what it used to be when engineers respect the picket lines set up by unionized men, and vote to strike Sept. 30 for more take home pay.

Tradition-bound caste lines are fading away as seamen of all ranks unite.

The Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, which started as a semi-professional "beneficial" association in Civil War times, has become a fighting workers union today.

The transition wasn't difficult for marine engineers, of course. It's hard to keep caste lines when you are working in dungarees as machinist, pipefitter, boilermaker or at whatever trade it is necessary to turn to in keeping the old engine running.

Harder still when the engineers realized that their own wage standards depended on solidarity with the firemen, oilers, watertenders

and wipers they were working with down below.

Caste traditions, of course, have a much older vintage on the officers' bridge. Those traditions go back many hundreds of years before steam. The founders of the Master, Mates and Pilots' organization in the Civil War period never dreamed they were building a union. Their preamble still refers to the skippers and mates as professionals, who are uniting to lift their professional standards.

But life is making changes in this ancient profession. The sea strikes of June 15 and this September found mates backing away from the picket lines set up by men from the seamen's foscles. And officers are relying on the solidarity of the rank and file men who paint the ships, swab the decks and keep the steam up to help them win their strike if they have to "hit the bricks" Sept. 30.

The MM&P has not yet made a complete break with the caste-ridden days. The secretary-manager of the New York local, for instance, must have a skipper's license. A mate, without such a license, cannot yet run for that high office, no matter how capable a union leader he may be.

But forward-looking viewpoints are coming into union's membership, with the influx of new blood from the foscles during the war years.

Deck officers are hard working men with plenty of legitimate "beefs," which only a union can settle. Skippers, for instance, get no overtime pay to nourish their glory, though they may have to work round the clock when emergencies come.

Chief mates who have to stand eight hours of watches, in addition to supervising the deck work, get only the standard officers' overtime rate of \$1.25 an hour, virtually

straight pay.

And all mates—first, second and third—find that militant seamen's unions have wiped out so much of the differential between the pay scales of officers and men that the bridge is no longer so exclusive.

Captain Bligh's day is done. Radio officers, mates, many skippers, engineers, sailors, stewards and members of the black gang are banded in unions today. And the trend is towards still closer unity between officers and men. This unity is illustrated by the Committee for Maritime Unity, which joins radio officers and engineers with unionized men. More unity will come.

BACK-WALLACE PEACE RALLY TUESDAY, MADISON SQ. PARK

New York has been called to back Henry A. Wallace's fight for peace at a giant open-air demonstration Tuesday, Oct. 1, 5:30 p.m., under auspices of the National Council of American Soviet Friendship.

Civil, labor and fraternal groups are responding enthusiastically to this opportunity to "check the disastrous get-tough-with-Russia poli-

cies of Byrnes and Vandenberg," council chairman, the Rev. William Howard Melish, announced yesterday.

"An outpouring of many thousands of our citizens," said the Rev. Melish, "will serve notice to President Truman that the American people demand a return to the road of American-Soviet friendship and peace charted by President Roosevelt."

JIMCROW IN NATIONAL GUARD

Following through the resolution of its board of directors to fight segregated National Guard units in New York, the NAACP has written Gov. Thomas E. Dewey calling on him to take immediate action on this.

The letter stated in part: "An examination of the military law of New York convinces us you

have power to integrate the segregated units of the National Guard with other units. We further feel this statute gives you power to open all National Guard units to male citizens of this state regardless of race or color.

"It is an intolerable affront to the people of New York for their National Guard to segregate male citizens solely because of race or color. We urge you, therefore, to immediately take steps to end this disgraceful policy of segregation in the New York State National Guard," the letter concludes.

Picket Realtor

Members of the Rockaway vets housing council will form a protest picket line today (Sat.) at 10 a. m. in front of the offices of a Rockaway realty operator at Beach 71st St. and Rockaway Beach Blvd. Vets are protesting the realtor's refusal to rent apartment houses used as summer dwellings only.

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Reactionaries Who Can Be Licked in Ohio

By Rob F. Hall

(Second of Series)

CLEVELAND, Sept. 27. —Labor circles here feel that six reactionary Republican Congressmen could have been defeated in the November elections if proper steps had been taken by the Democrats. It may still be possible to stop some of them returning to Washington, they say.

These Republicans represent districts in which there are sizable cities and a fairly large working class vote. Their records on price control, housing, labor and other issues labor considers crucial are so thoroughly bad that exposure should be a simple matter.

First, there is George Bender, Representative-at-Large. Because of his support of FEPC and the anti-polltax bill Bender was for



a time considered a friend of labor and had CIO backing. During his present term of office he reversed himself and helped lead the fight against price control and other essential legislation. Labor now regards him as a four-flusher. His Democratic opponent is William Boyd, of Cleveland, a state Senator who has an acceptable record. However, Boyd has made no campaign as yet.

OPPOSES PRICE CONTROL

Another beatable Republican is Homer P. Ramey of Toledo, who scored only three out of a possible 12 in the CIO News tally sheet of labor votes. He was a consistent foe of price control and vets' housing. He won his seat two years ago by a margin of 5,000 in 80,000 votes.

But the Democratic nominee, Michael DiSalle, vice-Mayor of Toledo, is the author of a one percent city payroll tax which makes him extremely unpopular with the city's workers. PAC refused to endorse DiSalle, and even though the defeat of Ramey is the first consideration, Nat Cohen, Communist section organ-

izer, says it will be difficult to persuade voters to cast their ballots for him.

In the southwestern tip of Ohio are the first and second districts, which include Cincinnati. The present Congressmen are Charles Elston and William E. Hess. They voted exactly the same on 12 crucial labor issues, for a total score of zero.

Their opposition to price control has made them highly vulnerable, especially in Cincinnati. The pair were recently honor guests at the Cincinnati food show, staged by the city's top GOP crowd. When the PAC threw a picket line in front of the place, consternation was great. The picket signs made it clear that Cincinnati folks paid high prices for food because of Elston and Hess.

First the chief of police broke up the line but later had to permit it.

Unfortunately, the Democratic nominees, Francis J. Davis and G. Arthur Espey, are silk-stocking conservatives who hesitate to conduct a real fight on these issues. If they did, according to

Robert Gunkel, Communist county secretary, Elston and Hess would not return to Washington.

BAD RECORD

Earl R. Lewis, GOP Representative from the 18th District (Steubenville), has a record almost as bad as Elston and Hess. His Democratic opponent is John Blum, and labor-progressive forces in that area hope to give Lewis a run for his money.

In all of these races, Democratic nominees would improve their chances of victory if they would study the type of election campaign being conducted by Ohio Communist candidates.

In Cleveland, where a Communist received 56,000 votes for the School Board two years ago, the Communist slate includes:

Arnold Johnson, state secretary of the Communist Party, candidate for State Senator.

Abraham Lewis, Negro leader, former Lincoln Brigader, candidate for State Legislature.

Edward Chaka, veteran of the 89th Division, steel worker and active member of the AFL Moulders Union, candidate for the State Legislature.

Lewis has received endorsement of six Democratic Ward Clubs and the candidacy of all three has attracted wide attention.

BACKS WALLACE

In a broadcast last week Johnson expressed vigorous support for Henry Wallace's appeal for peace and understanding with the Soviet Union and condemned President Truman's removal of Wallace from the Cabinet. Last week he exposed the pro-fascist record and connections of GOP senatorial candidate, John W. Bricker, and urged unity of all progressive forces in a campaign to defeat him.

The Communist campaign has placed the fight for peace, for the rights of the Negro people, for price and rent control, as central issues.

In other parts of the state there are also Communist candidates. In Canton, Carl Guillod is running for County Commissioner. In Akron, Bernard Marks, a former rubber worker, is candidate for State Representative. In Belmont County, Anthony Kremack is running for State Representative.

Letters from Our Readers



Communist Councilman Hits Pittsburgh Judge

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following letter was sent to Judge Walter P. Smart, Common Pleas Court, Pittsburgh, Pa.:

"When workers strike for a decent standard of living for themselves and their families, their leaders are sent to jail.

"When the cattle barons and the meat trusts of America hold up meat, for greater profits to themselves, thus causing great suffering to the majority of the people in America, that is called 'free enterprise and private initiative.'

"The sentencing of this union leader is a step back to the days when the Iron and Coal Police and the stool pigeon system functioned in the Allegheny County as exposed in the LaFollette Civil Liberties Investigating Committee."

PETER V. CACCHIONE,
Councilman, New York.

Meat Trust Protected While Ruining Nation

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In our community, we haven't been able to obtain any meat for the past couple of weeks. Everybody knows a working person

must have some meat and also the children. Otherwise, their health is undermined.

But our representatives in Washington who are supposed to protect the health of the people act like the three monkeys: Hear nothing, see nothing and say nothing, on the present shameful meat trust strike.

On the other hand, when there is a justified strike by the workers to get a few more pennies, those same representatives are shouting that the health of the nation is at stake. It is beginning to become obvious to everyone whom the government protects.

L. BENSA.

Rise in Workers' Standards Results from Struggle

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

On the question of bringing up Communist children, it seems to me that in my case, at least, I had to compromise principles in order individually to improve my family position economically.

My conscience began to bother me and although I am still a member of the Communist Party, I find it difficult to be very active. My conclusion is that if you want your children to grow up Communists, you must not compromise

The Editors welcome your opinions and contributions to this page. Due to lack of space letters should be limited to 150 words so as to permit the printing of as many as possible. Please include full name and address with your letters. We will withhold names upon request.

your principles. Then you will be an example to your children.

Any improvement in a worker's status should come about as a result of struggle and a general rise in living standards. Individualism divorced from the general struggle leads to separation from the working class and loss of Communist consciousness.

H. F.

Economic Issues

By Labor Research Association

Booming retail trade has been a source of delight to the troubadours of "free enterprise." From month to month they have greeted the new sales records chalked up. Sales, expressed in dollars, have been soaring.

The trouble is that prices have also been skyrocketing. And when we measure the physical unit volume of sales we find they have not been rising. In fact, they have been falling since last February.

The price rises are clear enough as shown by the charts on commodity prices. (See also our October Economic Notes). But the fact that unit sales have actually fallen has not been so apparent.

The business advisory organs have been watching this trend with growing concern. The U. S. News, (9/20) for example, says that "Wrapped up in these figures are signs that prices are beginning to choke consumers out of the market, that people's ability to buy is declining."

Here are the index numbers showing what has been happening this year. They cover all retail trade and are based on Department of Commerce figures:

1946	Dollar Volume	Physical Volume
Jan.	100	100
Feb.	102	102
March	102	101
April	99	98
May	100	97
June	100	96
July	104	94

In the brief five-month period,

Price Rises Cutting Off Sales

February to July, the physical volume of retail trade declined by 8 percent. But it took 2 percent more dollars to buy this reduced amount of goods.

The dollars are still rolling into the cash registers of the chain stores, the department stores, the big merchandising companies; but the customers get less and less for their dollars.

This means high profits, and it is naturally the profit possibilities that concern the business economists when they discuss these subjects. But for the great mass of the American people, the significance of this trend lies in an entirely different direction.

With them it is the problem of getting enough food for their families, enough clothing, enough of the necessities of life. If we examine the food sector of total retail trade, the point becomes crystal clear. The following table of index numbers, based on Commerce Department figures, illustrate what has been happening:

1946	Volume of Food Bought	Civilian Labor Force	Volume per Civilian Labor Force
Jan.	100	100	100
Feb.	99	101	98
March	98	103	95
April	96	106	90
May	96	107	89
June	91	110	82
July	85	112	76

So here we see that the actual amount of food sold declined 15 percent in six months while the civilian labor force, partly, of course, as a result of the demobilization of workers from the armed services, increased by 12 percent. If we relate the amount of food consumed to the size of the labor force we thus have an index figure which shows that the

volume of food purchased per member of the labor force dropped 24 percent in this brief period.

These figures reveal in black and white that the people have been eating less. The standard of living has taken a drop. The National Association of Manufacturers and its political stooges, who made a farce out of price control, have deliberately cut a large hole in the American food basket.

But now they are a bit worried. If the American people must buy less food on today's wages, then how are they to buy washing machines, fridges and automobiles? So the business services begin to speculate on the "timing" of the next economic depression. They, of course, refer to it airily as a "shakeout," some kind of painless, technical reaction.

The Wall Street Journal, Sept. 13, says "Recession talk grows louder in capital corridors. Government crystal-gazers fear price and production breaks in early '47. They cite these storm-warnings. Consumer incomes lag behind living costs; purchasing power skids. Prices of autos and many consumer durables are already too high for all but the cream of the customers."

Let us remember that in spite of all these speculations we are in a boom period. And it is just in this boom period that food consumption is declining so drastically. This situation should serve as a warning of the even more painful aspects of the approaching "shakeout."

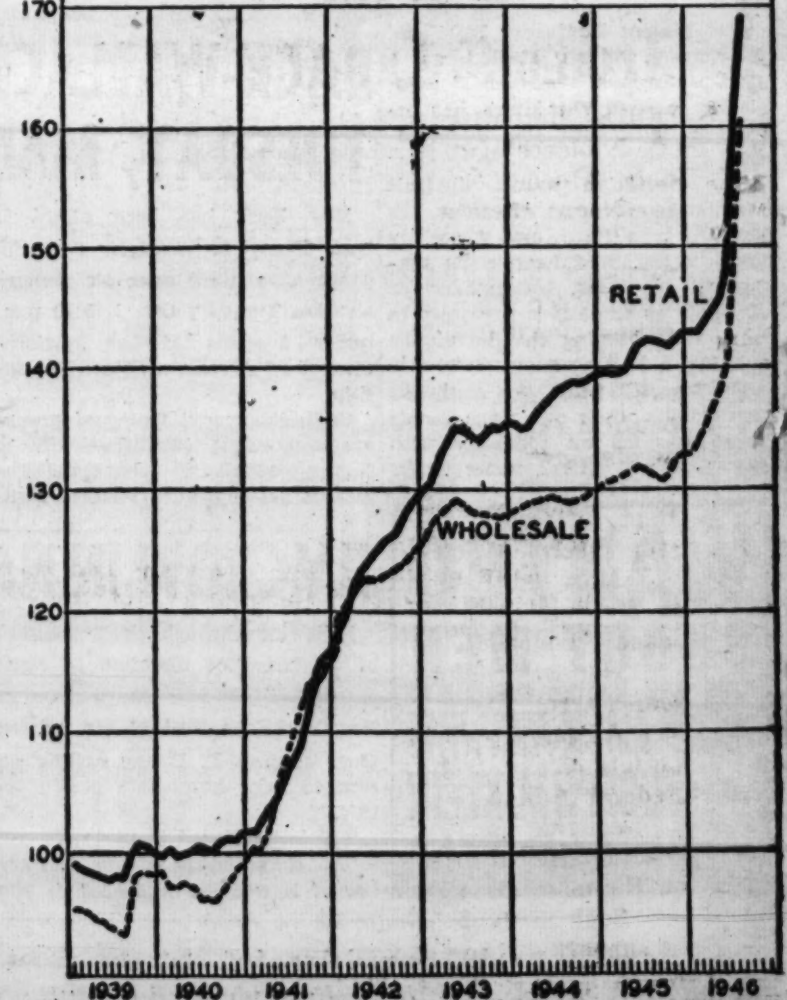
The chief concern of the food corporations is to keep prices high enough for inflated profits, but not quite high enough to stop peo-

ple from buying altogether. But the working class and its allies must do everything in its power to increase consumption, to get

price control that means something, to curb profits, and to raise wages beyond the subsistence level.

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THE MONARCH RETURNS



Stop the Murder in Greece!

LESS than a week after the Security Council failed to act on Greece, warfare is raging there. Monarchist bands are fighting exasperated peasants all through the central plains and in the north. King George is returning to a country which deserved peace and democracy; but his own monarchist-fascists bands have turned the land into an unholy inferno.

Gore and slaughter rule Greece today, not law and order. And Great Britain, instead of disarming the fascists and getting out of the country, is again pouring its troops into combat.

An Associated Press story from Washington says American policy is going to "get tougher" in Greece. Tougher with whom? With the monarchist-fascist cut-throats? Oh, no.

Mr. Byrnes, we are told, is going to back the present crew of murderers to the limit. And the alibi will be that the Greek government is barring that old bogey—"Soviet expansion."

How does Washington arrive at this reasoning? Well, according to the reactionary government in Athens, "everybody who's not for the king and the monarchy is a 'Communist.'" That's what American correspondents in Greece were told ten days ago. Communists are supposed to represent Russia; on this basis, the Greek government justifies murder of its own people.

And we Americans—all of whom would be called Communists since we are against kings and monarchists—are supposed to let this ugly nonsense become the foundation of our own policy.

The whole thing is based on lies. Russia is not in Greece. Her representatives in the UN have been trying to get international action to help Greece; Russia wants nothing from Greece.

The Communists of that country are heroically trying to stop the warfare by urging a coalition government that would represent the entire people, and eliminate the fascists. That's exactly what Greece needs, and it's what our government should be pressing for, too.

The time has come for the United States to change its course and unite with the Soviet Union at the UN to reopen the entire Greek issue. Let Britain stop sponsoring murder there; let the people form a united democratic government.

For this clear-cut demand, we urge our readers to swell the rally which the American Council for a Democratic Greece is calling at Manhattan Center Sunday afternoon. The murder in Greece must stop—Americans want their government to help it stop. The only tough policy we need is toughness to Greek reaction.

Truman's Expediency

THE mutilated bodies of Negro veterans and mob violence against whole Negro populations are not the only evidence of the contempt held by America's rulers for Negro citizens.

The nation got a glimpse of it this week in the heated exchange between President Truman and Paul Robeson, who headed the American Crusade to End Lynchings Delegation of 4,000 to the nation's capitol.

The essence of Truman's objection to the delegation's call that he condemn the rising lynch wave was that political expediency forbade his making any public statements now.

What more is needed to convince Truman and the Dept. of Justice that immediate action is required to stop lynch terror now?

More mutilated Negro veterans and their wives, as in Monroe, Georgia? Gouging out of the eyes of more Isaac Woodards?

Nor was the delegation's visit to GOP national chairman Carroll Reece any better.

As put by one of the delegation's spokesmen, "not an iota of satisfaction" was gained from the GOP, or the Federal Administration.

All this shows that there can be no reliance on the reactionaries of either party to stop lynch terror, but only on the mass struggle of the people themselves.

Such struggle should be planned and organized now in support of the 100-day Crusade Plan to end lynchings which aims to make anti-lynching legislation a primary election issue.

— Between the Lines —

On Stalin's Statement

by Joseph Starobin

INTERNATIONAL relations are undoubtedly in a more fluid stage than they have been for a long time. Henry Wallace made the situation more fluid by challenging the direction, of the Byrnes-Vandenberg policy, by bringing the alternatives of settlement or deadlock before the attention of millions of Americans and the entire world. Stalin has made the situation more fluid by rejecting any idea that war talk, atomic bombs or capitalist encirclement will panic the Soviet Union while at the same time re-affirming the long-term possibility of American-Soviet cooperation. He has thereby challenged Secretary Byrnes to reach an agreement with the USSR if American policy is as pacific and constructive as Byrnes pretends.



It would be just as wrong to deny this favorable change and the possibility of further improvement as it would be to relax the pressure of the independent struggle for peace which new sections of the labor and progressive movement have taken up behind Wallace's platform.

After all, we do not criticize the Truman administration for the sake of criticism. We want to compel a settlement. Such a settlement would meet the needs of the American people. We need a long period of peace for the people to mitigate the crisis which "free enterprise" is thrusting on the country; we need time to form the lines against fascism here. Our objectives are positive. We want to win concrete advances, not to lose—however heroically.

As always, a statement by Stalin has a many-sided significance. As I see it, it has the immediate, tactical and diplomatic meaning; it is also an objective description of the relationship of forces, and it offers longer-range theoretical food for thought.

The tactical or diplomatic effect is to deflate the war panic engendered by the Byrnes-Vandenberg policy under cover of which the imperialists were getting tough with Wallace, with labor, with every critic. In deflating this war scare, Stalin challenges the "get tough" program, but he also indicates the basis on which an agreement with the United States is possible. He re-states the fundamental Soviet view that peaceable relations are possible for a long time, even into the stage of Soviet Communism, which clearly will not be reached for generations.

And by singling out the necessity of demilitarizing and democratizing Germany, the importance of letting China alone, the need for outlawing atomic bombs, Stalin indicates the area on which the USSR is prepared for an overall American-Soviet settlement. The next move is up to the USA.

In his answer to Alexander Werth's question about friendly relations with Britain and in his remarks that a capitalist encirclement is no longer possible, Stalin goes considerably beyond the immediate issues to broaden everyone's horizon.

He is reminding the American imperialists that a series of countries outside of eastern Europe cannot be realistically counted upon to become willing catspaws of an anti-Soviet coalition. The fact that Sweden defied American protests to inaugurate a quarter of a billion dollar trade with the USSR is part of this process. Switzerland also decided not to place its eggs in the American basket. In France, even such anti-Soviet circles as de Gaulle—while striving to achieve a western bloc—echo the need of French neutrality in the American-Soviet clash.

And now come important voices from Britain, urging a new approach toward the USSR, which reflects the fact that the British think they have gotten as much as can be safely gotten from the "get-tough-with-Russia" policy. They do not wish to risk their gains in anything tougher.

Actually, Churchill, hotted up the fires of anti-Sovietism here

last March (finding willing associates, of course) because it gave Britain the loan. It gave Britain time to make some adjustments in colonial policy, and a certain breathing space in strengthening her own economy.

But as the United States presses forward the policy of building an anti-Soviet coalition, it does begin to step on British toes. To implement a stiff policy in the Near East, for example, the United States would not only be showing off its fleet in the Mediterranean but would be taking strategic British positions away. The same can be said for rebuilding western Germany, where the British are in monopolistic control of the Ruhr. The same is true in Latin America where the policy of "coordinating the hemisphere" intensifies the sharpest Anglo-American rivalries.

Anthony Eden, the able Tory, wants to bring about a lull because the risks to Britain of a further deterioration of American-Soviet relations are beginning to balance out the gains. Stalin's attention to this tentative new note in London discloses a factor in the international situation which had hitherto been concealed.

On the theoretical side, the most immediate matter is the relation between Stalin's statement last February that monopoly-capitalism breeds wars and his dismissal of the immediate war danger. This is the most pressing problem unless we are going to read more into Stalin's thoughts about capitalist encirclement and a long-term peace into the stage of Communism than he provides material for.

On the first point, Stalin does not say that wars have been indefinitely ruled out, that capitalism no longer breeds them. He only dismisses a real war danger at present. It remains true, as it was in the past, that monopoly-capitalism does breed war. But the struggles for democracy throughout the world alongside the able diplomacy and power of the Soviet Union, gives us the prospect of delaying such wars indefinitely. That is in fact our job for the entire era ahead.

The Last Pleas of the Nazi Criminals

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mass murders" committed as it were by persons unknown.

"Never did I decree a murder of a single individual" said Goering, and a gasp of disgust rustled from those who heard. Goering's speech, under cover of a sort of bluff bogus frankness, contained a good deal of attempted subtle flattery of the German people on the one hand and the Allies on the other, with an alleged religious note worked in.

Rudolf Hess spoke next, a gaunt, dark, heavy-browed, sharp-featured fanatic of 47, with a tuft of hair brushed steeply up above his balding head to give an added touch of eccentricity and abnormality. He asked permission to remain seated, for health reasons. This request was readily granted. It had not been granted to millions of victims murdered by the Nazis in cold blood, but then these victims were not asked to make a final plea.

The next last plea came from Joachim von Ribbentrop, the former champagne salesman who became Nazi foreign minister and one of the architects of the wholesale atrocities committed by Germany. Ribbentrop, 53, grey and thin, with lofty brow, had frowned unhappily while Hess had been rambling on.

His own statement was a claim that German foreign policy was not so aggressive as that of Russia, Britain or America; and he hoped with all his heart, he said, that Britain and America would be more successful in dealing with Russia than Germany had been. Ribbentrop said he was sorry about what he agreed had been "dreadful crimes" committed

by the Nazi regime, but he could not take up a puritanical attitude towards these.

Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel, former Chief of the High Command of the German Armed Forces spoke next—a grey man of 64, in dull green uniform, very different from the resplendent and arrogantly glittering Nazi military gendarme who stood at the head of the armies of the Reich as they crushed small nations and massacred millions of civilians. Not so erect in the box as some of his colleagues, Keitel in a subdued way still retained something of a parade-ground bark to protest his innocence.

Fifty-three years old Rosenberg, another SS general in civilian clothes, the "intellectual high priest" of the "master-race" doctrine and Nazi minister for the Eastern Occupied Territories made his plea. This well-preserved quiet-looking man, with horn-rimmed spectacles resting sadly on his jutting nose, said he was innocent of the alleged murder of 12,000,000 people. He thought if the court made no conviction, this would be a great step towards goodwill and mutual understanding.

Then came one of Rosenberg's most notorious pupils, 46-year-old Hans Frank, Nazi Governor-General of Poland, where under his direction millions of men, women and children were murdered in the gas-chambers near Lublin, near Cracow, and other death camps.

Up rose the notorious fowl-mouthed anti-Semite, the inciter of pogroms, Julius Streicher, a stunted little man of 61 with drab moustache under his beak-like nose and thin grey hair brushed into a fuzzy wisp, his fanatical eyes now glazed with fright. In sing-song voice Julius Streicher declared Hitler and Himmler, not he, were responsible for the attacks on the Jews.

Former Minister of Finance, Dr. Hjalmar Schacht made his

final plea, and he did it with more self-assurance than Funk. Schacht is nearly seventy, rather thin and ascetic-looking, silver-haired with scholar's head but with a weak chin under that hard mouth with its grey moustache.

He claimed he had been a "fanatical opponent of war" and that by sabotage, cunning and force had tried to stop Hitler and had himself landed in a concentration camp. But he was not a "pitiful and broken personality" as one of the prosecutors said. Schacht sat down quivering with righteous indignation, and anybody not studying his record as an active Nazi, providing the "facade of starched respectability" and the sinews of war for more bloodthirsty gangsters, sadists and perverts, would have felt that here was a man "much wronged."

Admiral Karl Doenitz spoke next, tall, with a strong head and hard face, a pirate chief in quiet dark civilian clothes. He spoke without remorse of the unrestricted submarine warfare carried out under his orders, and said he would do the same again if necessary.

Next came another cruel-fanged sea-dog who had brought the law of the jungle to the ocean. Admiral Erich Raeder, a grey dry man of seventy, bespectacled, in civilian suit, spoke haughtily of what he called the attempt of lawyers to besmirch the good name of the German navy. The U-boat warfare "could not be placed on the same level as such atrocities as the killing of millions of Jews and other people."

The Nazi youth leader, Baldur von Schirach, the "poisoner of a generation," vicious anti-Semite and brutalist spoke next.

He indignantly denied the statement of the British prosecution that he, Schirach, had "spoiled millions of German children so that they became the blind instruments of that policy of murder and domination." At the end of a rather passionate and demagogic speech, he asked the Tribunal to create an "atmosphere of joint respect for German youth."

Next to speak was General Alfred Jodl, in dull green uniform, straight, baldish, with fresh complexion, 56 years of age. He spoke rather quietly, without notes; said that the German armed forces had an impossible task, to conduct "a war they had not wanted under a Commander-in-Chief whose confidence they did not possess and whom they themselves trusted only within limits." This betrayer of military honor claimed that the harsh measures which he admitted had been carried out by the armed forces were "not a crime in moral-

ity or in conscience."

A former chancellor of Germany, the master conspirator Franz von Papen, was next, a man of sixty-seven, white-haired and bespectacled, the "pious agent of an infidel regime." He spoke sadly with an occasional burst of vigor and did not seem pleased when Rudolf Hess sniggered loudly in the middle of one sonorous peroration.

The British attorney-general had said that von Papen "preferred to reign in hell rather than serve in heaven," but von Papen thought he had no right to say such things. Von Papen said he had a "clear conscience" and, he said, he had served Germany but

not the Nazi regime.

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Today Manhattan

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Tomorrow Bronx

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PRESS ROUNDUP

Trib Calls Tenn. Trial Travesty

THE HERALD TRIBUNE terms the trial of 25 Negroes in Columbia, Tenn., a "travesty of justice." In a special article, Vincent Sheean, who observed the trial for the Trib, likens it to the British system in India and the Nazi practice in Europe of collective responsibility of a community for acts of individuals. Sheean cites the razing of Lidice as a similar example.

Sheean indicates the entire trial is part of the white supremacy system and cannot be divorced from it. "The trial," he says, "is conducted in a way which has to be seen to be believed." He also states it is being conducted in an atmosphere of "local indifference and national unconcern." The indifference and unconcern have been true of the Trib up to now, but not of the Daily Worker which publicized the terror against the Negro people of Columbia the day it occurred and was the first paper to take up the cause of the defendants.

THE TIMES is its usual self, ostensibly urging the Soviet Union to join in supporting the Baruch atomic control plan, but actually urging setting up an atomic agreement with a bloc of nations without the USSR. In the same editorial, The Times says: "We are not trying to frighten other nations." And: "... the new agency ... may be compelled to ask from them (non-member nations, including the USSR) convincing proof that they themselves are not making atomic bombs."

THE NEWS knows what the cattlemen and the meat trust are doing and chips in its poisonous little bit on the meat famine. It spends practically its entire column listing all the things we don't have and drops it all in the national administration's lap. Punch line of the editorial is "Election Day is Nov. 5." These shortages have been artificially created by the trusts to wreck whatever was left of controls and to help the Republicans by laying the economic chaos in the country at the

door of the Truman administration. All of which The News knows but won't say. Hence the editorial sounds like a GOP hand-out.

THE MIRROR—same deal as The News.

THE POST calls upon President Truman to seize the meat-packing industry to break the famine conspiracy of the meat trust and the cattlemen and so the people should "not suffer one day longer than necessary." The editorial lauds Truman for refusing to lift price controls and declares, "there must be no surrender to organized greed."

STRIKING DRIVERS GET FOOD COUPONS

Striking truck drivers of Teamsters Local 807 got a lift yesterday when the union started distribution of 5,000 food coupons worth \$10 to the men fighting holdout operators.

By mid-day some 1,357 coupons had been distributed at the local headquarters at 74 Varick St. Hundreds of drivers had lined up earlier to receive the benefit, first step in the union's preparation for a knock-down, drag-out fight with the truck bosses.

Issuance of benefits was first demanded by the Rank and File group. The coupons were good for use in Bohack, Reeves and Roulston stores which resulted in some criticism from several drivers.

The operators, headed by Joseph M. Adelizzi, were still barring any agreement. At a late hour yesterday

Adelizzi still had not replied to the statement of Mayor O'Dwyer's labor adviser Edward Maguire blaming continuation of the tieup on the bosses.

According to figures released by Maguire a majority of the drivers are back at work under the Bohack

formula contracts. The general haulage truckers, represented mainly by Adelizzi's Motor Carrier Assn., have refused to offer more than six cents an hour increase.

New Jersey locals are blocking trucking operations from being shifted to across the river.

Morford Asks People To Fight for Peace

A call for the immediate mobilization of the American people to fight for peace was made by Rev. Richard Morford, executive director of the National Council for American-Soviet Friendship in a telegram backing the courageous stand of Henry A. Wallace.

"We have held back too long," Morford declared. "The foreign

policy of this nation does not belong to Byrnes or Vandenberg. It belongs to the people."

John L. Lewis Has Appendectomy

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (UP).—John L. Lewis, 66-year-old head of the AFL United Mine Workers, was reported in "good" condition today following an emergency appendectomy.

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"Dear Bill:

"Hank Greenberg's unusual success in the current baseball championship in the American League deserves some special comment by the Daily Worker. The reasons for this are obvious.

"You will recall the dubious circumstances under which he went out of baseball into the armed forces (where he conducted himself with high credit despite the attitude of baseball moguls.)

"There has always been an unhealthy stench of anti-Semitism shadowing his performance in major league baseball. You will recall that during the current campaign, despite his memorable record at the end of the 1945 season, certain people and fans in his own home town (Detroit) razed him for his 'low' batting average.

"Now what is the picture? Hank Greenberg has just about captured, even from the great Ted Williams, two of the most coveted batting titles in baseball, namely, runs-batted-in and the home run crown.

"While he will not achieve the percentage batting title, every baseball enthusiast knows that runs-batted-in is the real title. The success of Greenberg in runs-batted-in is the secret of the Detroit Tigers' success in finishing second to the Red Sox and for decisively knocking the Yankees out of this position.

"More power to the Hank Greenbergs and the Jackie Robinsons. More power to the sports page of the Daily Worker.

"Comradely Yours,

"JAMES W. FORD."

Yes, it is, as Jim Ford says, another notable year for the great Greenberg. And it's particularly gratifying to see big Hank come through when the chips are down. That's one of the inevitable signs of a truly great athlete—his ability to do things when needed the most.

Jim Ford, in touching on Hank's phenomenal clutch-play last year, was also recalling a chapter which must and will go down in the annals of sportsdom's great feats. You all remember last year's hectic American League race, when the Tigers and Senators came roaring down the finish line in much the same fashion as are this season's Cards and Dodgers. The Senators finished out their playing schedule a few days ahead of the Tigers and it was up to the Bengals to keep winning them all. The all-decisive game for the Tigers was their Sunday finale against the tough St. Louis Browns, and things looked bad for Detroit on that last day of the season as the Bengals went into the ninth inning one run behind. Gee-Gee Walker, Skeeter Webb and Doc Cramer managed to get on base and up came Greenberg, with the bags loaded, two out, and the fate of the club's World Series hopes resting on his broad shoulders. This was the big moment for Hank. Here was the chance for him to answer those snide critics who were mumbling about him not being worth his big salary, etc. Hank waited out Brownie hurler Nelson Potter to the full 3-2 count, the tension was terrific, and then, as Potter came in with THE PITCH, Greenberg leaned into it, brought his big shoulders into that final snap of the bat and from the moment wood touched ball everyone knew Hank Greenberg had done it. The ball went sailing high, wide and handsome out of the ballpark and the pennant came home to the Tigers.

This season Greenberg has again come in for his share of needless criticism. Almost 40 years old, Hank was called on to make the tough switch from the outfield to first base—no easy feat for a veteran to accomplish in the twilight of his career. And Hank, ever the team-man, made the switch. His big aging frame was unable to take the daily wear and tear that is obligatory for any first-sacker, in on almost every play, and Greenberg had to rest his weary body more than once this season. But the biggest beef that was being foully directed against Hank was that his batting average had fallen off, that once again he was "earning more than he was worth."

And once again, with the chips down in the fight for second money in the American League, old Hankus-Pankus has come through. In this final month of the flag race he's been good for an average of a homer every other day—and Hank has come back to the point where not only has he single-handedly sent Detroit into complete and final possession of second place over the Yankees, but he has also cleanly overtaken Ted Williams for the home run crown and r.b.i. title. Greenberg poled out his 43d and 44th circuit clouts yesterday to now lead Williams by six round-trippers—and indeed Hank, with three games left, stands only three home runs away from registering a new major league mark for total home runs in one month. Rudy York's record is 188, registered in August of 1937.

And Jim Ford is so right when he says it's the amount of runs-batted-in that truly determines a man's worth to the club. Leading the A. L. with 125 r.b.i.'s to his credit, Hank has once more answered his critics.

Just as he answered six years ago, when he became the unfortunate victim of the "test case" to see whether a ball club could get exemption from the armed forces for their players. Hank was the first baseball player called up for induction before America entered the war—and the Detroit management requested an exemption for their star without his knowledge. Of course the request was denied them, but, in the course of that famous rhubarb, Greenberg came in for much vicious name-calling. He was mustered out of the Army for overage reasons, and Hank was on the train taking him home that fateful December day when Pearl Harbor was attacked. Greenberg never went home, but turned right around and re-enlisted that very same day. And Captain Hank Greenberg chalked up a fine record during his next four years with the Army Air Forces stationed in the C.B.I. theater of operations.

He came out of the service to bring Detroit a pennant, just as this year he's come back to almost alone carry them into second place.

Let us ditto Jim Ford's sentiments: "More power to the Hank Greenbergs and the Jackie Robinsons."

S P O R T S

Mardo Picks 'Em:

Illinois to Upset Irish; Army, Columbia and Yale

As if the Dodgers and Cards were non-existent, the college gridders come along and demand a share of today's sports spotlight. So be it, and for them that want it, here's the Daily Worker selections of the big games in today's opener to the '47 punt-and-pass season on the nation's campuses.

Columbia-Rutgers: The lads from up Morningside Heights way have one of the finest Lion backfields in the school's history, if not THE best, and that being the situation Rutgers won't even rate a look-see. Messrs. Rossides, Kusserow and Kaplowitz are the guns in Lou Little's scheme of things, and the little professor is schemin' to win today and get the team off right. They will, too.

Notre Dame-Illinois: This is the top attraction of the day and the Irish are highly favored to take the Illini into camp. Notre Dame has star flinger Johnny Lujack to call the signals and he's a good 'un, too. While it's true that the Irish have more overall strength, this scribe is gonna go way out on that limb to pick phenomenal Buddy Young and Co. to turn in the upset of the afternoon. The Illini have a great deal of speed and shiftiness in that backfield, plus decent overall strength on the line. They can do it—and remember, you read it here.

Yale-Kings Point: Levi Jackson is the name, the first Negro to star for the New Haven Bulldogs, and they say he's due to become one of the greatest backs ever. Coach Howie Odell's lads figure to have a romp in this, one of the most historic afternoons in Yale history. And here's looking for a terrific debut on the part of Levi Jackson, the latest pioneer against Jimcrow.

Army-Oklahoma: The good Doc Blanchard is ill and will see only part time service—perhaps none at all. Despite this the Kaydets have too much power in that first-string line and besides, there's still a fella named Glenn Davis. He's going to rip some wide and fancy holes in that Oklahoma side of the turf. Army—by a sizeable score.

Navy-Villanova: Pity poor Villa-

nova. Last week they were trampled upon by the Army, and today it's their sad fate to undergo similar tortures at the hands of the Middles.

Michigan-Indiana: Look for Bo McMillen's defending Big Nine champs to suffer their second straight setback. Last week's loss to Cincinnati didn't "figure"—but today it'll be legitimate. Michigan, you know, has a terrific team with speed, strength and reserve power. It'll be fairly close, but Michigan is our pick.

Alabama-Tulane: With Harry Gilmer pitching strikes, as usual, the Alabama eleven should, as they say, "emerge victoriously." But Tulan's tough and they'll give the cream of the southern crop a bit

of a tussle before bowing.

Purdue-Iowa: The Boilermakers have a good line and two backfield standouts in Cody and Canfield. That should be more than enough to outpoint the so-so Iowans.

And now that we've taken care of the big ones, leave us take a swift look at the lesser attractions. City over Susquehanna. City over Susquehanna. Georgia to top Clemson—but good. Stanford to trip Idaho. Baylor over T. C. U. Southern Cal' to nip Oregon State.

Please notice that we're stopping at 13 selections. That should be a lucky omen, eh?

Bill Mardo.

'47 SPRING SITE

Dodgers and Jackie To Train in Havana

To avoid subjecting Jackie Robinson to any Jimcrow arrangements in a Florida spring training camp, the Brooklyn Dodgers will pitch camp in Havana, Cuba, it was reliably rumored yesterday.

This news reverses previous stories that the Brooklyn club was going to workout in Southern California in '47—also for the same reasons of preventing Jimcrow incidents so far as Jackie Robinson and other Negro ballplayers will be concerned.

The Montreal farm club trains at the same spot as the parent team, which means that Roy Campanella and Donald Newcombe, who may be slated for promotions from Nashua to Montreal, will also be at the Havana camp with the sensational Robinson, who finished up his first season in organized ball with a .349

batting average to lead the International League sluggers.

Bob Finch, Dodger front office man, is said to be in Havana now making arrangements for the training site.

STAN MUSIAL has been in a slight slump the past few days, but unless the great Cardinal first baseman falls off completely, his league-leading batting average will be the highest for the older loop since 1937, when Ducky Wucky Medwick belted .374 with the Redbirds. Musial went into last night's St. Louis-Chicago game with a .366 mark.

RADIO

WMCA—580 Kc.
WEAF—660 Kc.
WJZ—710 Kc.
WJZ—770 Kc.
WNYC—830 Kc.
WABC—880 Kc.

EVENING

6:00-WEAF—News—Kenneth Banghart
WOR—Paul Schubert, News
WJZ—News; Chittison Trio
WABC—Harry Marble, News
WMCA—News; Music
WQXR—News; Music to Remember
6:15-WEAF—Marian Hutton, Records
WOR—Lorenzo Fuller, Songs
WJZ—Jimmy Blair, Songs
WABC—Columbia Workshop
6:25-WQXR—Here and There in New York
6:30-WEAF—Navy Recruiting Service
WOR—Fred Vandeventer, News
WJZ—Harry Wismer, Sports
WMCA—Racing Results
WQXR—Dinner Concert
6:45-WEAF—Art of Living—Dr. Norman Vincent Peale
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Labor—U.S.A.
WABC—Larry Lesueur, News
WMCA—Sports Resume
7:00-WEAF—Our Foreign Policy
WOR—Guess Who?—Quiz
WJZ—It's Your Business
WABC—Sweeney and March
WMCA—News; Dance Music
WQXR—News; Footlight Echoes
7:15-WJZ—Elmer Davis, News
7:30-WEAF—Curtain Time—Play
WOR—Arthur Hale
WJZ—The Green Hornet—Drama
WABC—Tony Martin Show
WMCA—News Reports
WQXR—Guest Artist
7:45-WOR—The Answer Man
WMCA—Fashion in Melody
8:00-WEAF—Life of Riley, with William Bendix
WOR—Twenty Questions
WJZ—Stump the Authors—Quiz
WABC—Hollywood Star Time
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
8:30-WEAF—Truth or Consequences, with Ralph Edwards
WOR—Juvenile Jury
WJZ—Famous Jury Trials—Drama
WABC—Mayor of the Town, with Lionel Barrymore
WMCA—Music That Lives
8:55-WABC—Ned Calmer, News

9:00-WEAF—National Barn Dance
WOR—Minstrel Show
WJZ—Gangbusters—Play
WABC—Hit Parade
WMCA—News; Concert Music
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall
9:30-WEAF—Can You Top This?
WOR—Leave It to the Girls
WJZ—Detect and Collect—Quiz
9:45-WABC—Saturday Serenade
10:00-WEAF—Judy Canova Show
WOR—Theater of the Air
WJZ—Atwater Kent Auditions Prize Winners
WMCA—News; Dance Music

WQXR—News; Record Album
10:15-WABC—Oklahoma Roundup
10:30-WEAF—Grand Ole Opry
WJZ—Bob Elson, Interview
WQXR—Just Music
10:45-WJZ—Hayloft Hoedown
WABC—Talk
WMCA—Treasury Salute
11:00-WEAF, WABC—News; Music
WOR, WJZ—News; Music
WMCA—News; Recorded Music
WQXR—News; Symphony Hour
12:00-WEAF, WJZ—News; Music
WABC, WMCA—News; Music
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BOOKS — FILMS — THE ARTS

The FM Monopoly Grab

Plans for a sweeping Senatorial investigation of monopoly restraints in newspaper, films, and radio industries, will take place when the Senate-Small Business Committee opens hearings this fall. The SPC is a subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor, which is headed by James E. Murray of Montana.

Senator Glen Taylor (D-Ida), has already requested a Department of Justice inquiry in the existence of a conspiracy of radio manufacturers to limit the production of FM receiver sets in 1946.

Senator Charles W. Tobey (R-NH), has introduced a Resolution calling for investigation of the Federal Communications Commission with respect to four particulars: (1) FCC Blue Book control of radio stations (2) administration of channel allocations (3) shift of the FM band (4) restriction of FM 30-kilowatt power.

"Monopoly Steals FM From The People," a pamphlet written by Eugene Konecky, has given impetus to this move.

The labor press is giving a big play to the pamphlet, according to a survey of clippings of Federated Press and CIO NEWS releases issued dealing with the pamphlet.

The Provisional Committee For Democracy In Radio, which published Konecky's pamphlet issued a bulletin dated September 9, 1946, in which it was charged, on the basis of data compiled by Mr. Konecky, that radio manufacturers were continuing their efforts to delay FM by keeping production of FM-tuned sets in the high-priced combination and console models.

The bulletin cited findings of the Census Bureau that "No FM receiver or converter production was noted in May (1946)."

"American farmers and farm workers, with relatively few exceptions, have already been excluded from sharing the benefits of improved broadcasting receptions and programs," declared Eugene Konecky.

"Broadcasting improvements," he explained, "embrace elimination of static, elimination of station-to-station interference, high fidelity, dynamic range, and greater choice of programs. These improvements will come with full-scale FM development, but farmers and farm workers have generally been squeezed out by the greedy monopolists and radio manufacturers to whose will the FCC has bowed."

"The fact is that this monopoly steal has not only frozen out labor, veterans and small business from FM, but also most of the people living in the rural areas. The heavy concentration of FM stations under the FCC's allocation will be, in the big cities.

"The FCC's shift of FM channels from the lower to the upper high frequency bands reduced the coverage of FM stations, thereby depriving millions of rural listeners from getting FM programs.

"But in addition to that, high powered, rural FM stations are costly. Under prevailing conditions, brought about by the FCC and Big Business, there will not be enough production of radio sets in 1946 to permit the development of the large-scale FM audiences necessary to provide FM stations with advertising revenue sufficient to meet the costs of operation, let alone to make profits. Under these circumstances there will even be less chance to establish FM stations in rural areas.

"Finally, small income farmers and farm workers will not be able to buy FM receiving sets since radio manufacturers have deliberately kept production to models in the high-priced brackets."

BRIEFS

ON THE AIR—The Town of the Little People, Sholem Aleichem's tale of the people of Kasrilevka, is dramatized in a Joseph Mindel adaptation on Sunday's, Oct. 6, *Eternal Light* program, NBC network, 12:30 p.m. . . . Paul Robeson sings on WMCA's *Great Voices*, Sunday, Sept. 29, 10:45 to 11:00 p.m. He'll do a group of spirituals and *Ol' Man River*. **THEATRE NOTES**—Rehearsals start this week for Synge's *Playboy of the Western World*, starring Burgess Meredith, being produced by Theatre Incorporated. . . . Betty Garrett is star of a party being given Saturday night (Sept. 27) by the Citizens' Committee of the Lower East Side. Also entertaining will be Larry Winters, and stars of *People's Songs*.

Hepcat Hobby Horse

By Lawhon Milford

OAKLAND—As I have mentioned before in these columns jazz collectors can be a pretty rum bunch. There seems to be something about a hobby that tends to distort the perspective. This is particularly true of jazz. The distortion seems to lie in the direction of assuming that the non-hobbyist is just as interested in the subject as the hobbyist.

Most of us are familiar with social visits to the homes of stamp collectors, amateur photographers, pottery fans, et al. You more or less expect that somewhere in the evening Mr. Philatelist is going to drag out his stamp - book and demonstrate his complete collection of watermarked Lichtensteins, Mr. Camera, his shot of the Bay Bridge from inside the Yerba Buena tunnel, Miss Pots, her Inca powderbox.

It's to be expected, and you pass it off with an "Izzat so?" and a "You don't say?" and get back to the original topic of conversation.

A LITTLE LOUIE

Not so with the collector of jazz. After the second drink or so, when you are already getting down to cases with "the inherently nihilistic character of John Steinbeck" our jazz fellow pops up, opens the phonograph, gets a record out of an album, which he reverently holds by the edges between fingertips, and says, "Let's hear a little Louie."

"Louie who?" you ask. This is the wrong thing to say. "Louie Gravelthroat and His Savanarola Syncopater Six, of course," says Joe Jazz, "You don't mean to tell me you've never heard of Louie Gravelthroat. You've really got a treat coming."

Whereupon he starts the turntable and the most motley collection of sound ever gathered into one phonograph am-

plifier begins pouring into the room, at a volume that drowns out all side-conversation and starts the next door neighbors to the telephone to call the police.

You are just beginning to understand that this is an on-the-spot recording of the invasion of southern France when Joe Jazz stops the record.

"Hear that?" he asks.

"Oh," you say, "is someone at the door? I'll get it."

"No, no, no," he exclaims, "the clarinet. That's Sidney Adenoid, greatest clarinet that ever lived. I'll play it again."

"Oh, don't bother," you say, but your words are lost in the riotous cacophony that bursts out of the phonograph.

Meanwhile, our jazz fellow is stamping the floor with both feet, and beating his thighs with the palms of his hands, obviously restoring lost circulation of blood to his extremities, although there seems to be a vague connection between his bodily rhythms and the systematic blasting going on in the music box.

A NOVICE DISCOVERED

After a short eternity the record ends and you are all set to get back to Steinbeck, as soon as the ringing in your ears stops. But, no! Joe Jazz has discovered a novice, a man who knows absolutely nothing about jazz, and who, very possibly, cares less.

You are consequently regaled with stories about Jim Cutlip, who wowed Earl Hines by stating that he (Jim Cutlip) played a comb; Roger Leftfoot who played rhythm on a suitcase (even though there was a perfectly good Conn Band Instrument drum handy); about the niceties of lower register "boogie" beat; and all of this interspersed with records, each

of them recorded under progressively bad conditions.

As you will discover, this story has no end short of bolting from the room with a shouted explanation that you "smell smoke," or that you "think your car may be stolen."

The moral may be somewhat obscure, but I think that jazz fans should take heed that love of jazz is not a mark of spiritual or mental worth and that many homeless orphans have risen to positions of eminence without so much as one "clarinet glissando."

Or, in modern Aesop, "don't ride your hobby to death."

Elisabeth Bergner Agrees With Canada Lee

BOSTON, Sept. 25 (UP)—Elisabeth Bergner, star of *The Duchess of Malfi*, agrees with Canada Lee that wider possibilities are now available to Negro actors.

"Nobody thinks it strange that a white man would be cast as an oriental, or even as an African," she said. "That is because it is custom. There is no reason why Negroes shouldn't use makeup to portray men of another race."

Miss Bergner and her husband, producer Paul Czinner, were responsible for giving Lee the role.

American Negro Theatre to Hold Auditions

The American Negro Theatre will hold final auditions for new applicants for membership into its apprentice student group. Each applicant is given five minutes on the stage to demonstrate his talent. No experience is necessary. Those who successfully pass their auditions are eligible to enroll in classes conducted by the ANT teaching staff. Last season eighty apprentices enrolled and fifty-six successfully passed a year's training. Sixteen of whom made the professional stage and appeared in one or more Broadway plays.



Margaret O'Brien and Thomas Mitchell in a scene from "Three Wise Fools," currently at the Capitol.

A Rough and Ready Bunch of A. B.'s

Another long-gone author has made good in Hollywood—this time Richard Henry Dana, whose *Two Years Before the Mast* a hundred-odd years ago helped to bring decent working conditions for merchant seamen.

Dana's cry for justice against impressment, starvation diets, mistreatment and the dictatorial rule of ship captains is excellently portrayed in this film.

Howard da Silva as the grim faced, iron handed captain whose brutality set Dana reaching for his pen, is a character you love to hate. His crew are as rough-and-ready a bunch of A. B.'s as ever formed a strike committee—William Bendix, Brian Donlevy (Who plays the role of Dana), Albert Dekker and Luis Van Rooten.

Alan Ladd is there too, but he isn't needed, being out of place as the upper-class snob who gets shanghaied, beaten, and who finally

joins the working class. The girl is Esther Fernandez—in the picture because fans are supposed to expect some love interest, although the story doesn't need it.

Donlevy and Bendix, more subdued than usual, turn in good jobs, their honesty and integrity a fine contrast to Van Rooten's cowardice and da Silva's ruthlessness. Barry Fitzgerald is in for laughs, and has not much to do.

Director John Farrow has long been a capable box-office director—one who sticks to accepted (Profitable) techniques. He's done a lot of slick, bright pictures, but nothing as solid as this since *Wake Island*. With its faults, this picture is worth seeing.

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Workers Pay Tribute to Mario Russo

By Bernard Burton

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., Sept. 27.—Mario Russo, martyr in labor's struggle against the violence and greed of the copper bosses, was buried in Bloomfield Cemetery today. More than 1,000 working people—Negro and white, men and women—led by officials of UE-CIO District Council 4, walked in the solemn procession which paid final tribute to the 27-year-old veteran who was killed by Phelps-Dodge goons. Final services were held in the little Italian Baptist Church in Bellville, where an overflow crowd of workers from Phelps-Dodge and National Union—where Russo worked—packed the streets for hours before the cortege arrived from the funeral parlor.

Russo's minister, Rev. Benedetto Pascale, performed the last rites where he declared the union leader "fell wounded at the hands of a sinister enemy of God and man."

"FIGHTER FOR PROGRESS"

With the services being broadcast over loud speakers into the streets, the clergyman lauded the deceased as a fighter for "social and economic progress."

Russo's death, he said, was a "sad occurrence that should never have happened in a great country like America."

This father of four children survived three years of war, he added, only to be "shot in an economic struggle where weapons were substituted for law, and violence was substituted for peaceful methods."

His death, the gray-haired, soft-spoken minister concluded, should "dedicate all of us to a new social order where this kind of thing should occur no more."

James McLeish, UE district president, spoke briefly on behalf of the union, in whose cause Russo gave his life.

"Here we truly have a man," McLeish said, "who had no greater love than that of his fellow man. We have lost a real friend and brother."

Speaking in quiet tones, the union president pledged: "We, his friends and comrades, must certainly carry on his work."

An honor guard of nine uniformed veterans accompanied the coffin throughout the procession which moved slowly from the funeral parlor, past the Russo home, to the church, paused at AMVETS headquarters where the flag was lowered to half mast, proceeded to the home of Russo's parents and thence to Bloomfield Cemetery.

A statement adopted by the UE district executive board declared: "Mario Russo will live in the hearts of workers all over the world for whom he died. His union brothers and friends will bend every effort to care for and provide for his dear wife and children. Mario Russo's name will be enshrined with those other martyrs of labor's struggle for freedom, Tom Mooney, Sacco and Vanzetti and Joe Hill. We who remain will draw renewed inspiration to the cause for which he bled: a world of peace and freedom in which no company thug draws breath."

Anthony Cook, president of UE Local 445, where Russo was an executive board member, asserted, "He will always live in our memory as a monument to labor's struggle for a decent life."

Cook said the local will take action on establishing a yearly memorial for Russo.

Phelps-Dodge UE Local 441 president Charles McLaren asserted Russo "lost his life in the line of duty supporting the Phelps-Dodge strikers. He was a victim of company goons—he made the supreme sacrifice to build our union."

The Phelps-Dodge union office will be in mourning for 30 days, McLaren said.

In addition to UE members, delegations participated from the New Jersey CIO Council, Essex County CIO Council and the Union County Communist Party. Six cars were filled with flowers from unions throughout the state and country.

Russo is survived by his wife, Mrs. Connie Russo, and four children: Anthony, three months; Marlene, two years; Patricia, three years, and Allen, four and a half years.

Aged Tennessee Negro Tells How He Saved Vet From Mob

By Harry Raymond

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn., Sept. 27.—Seventy-six-year old Julius Blair, chief defendant in the trial of the 25 Columbia Negroes, told a jury and the courtroom audience today the thrilling story of his rescue of a 19-year-old navy veteran and the sailor's mother from an angry lynch mob on Feb. 25.

The elderly Negro, patriarch of the Columbia colored community, was the first witness for the defense. He walked with difficulty to the witness stand. He was in shirt sleeves and wearing a grey vest.

He told his story in a quiet voice—how he worked his way up from bootblack to barber, to drug store owner.

He told how his parents, former slaves, were unable to care for a family of 16 children and how he went into the streets as a boy shining the shoes of white men to help feed the family.

The old Negro said he never knew or felt any bitterness against white people because of their color. He said he never hoped to organize a revolution against white people. He testified he was attending a meeting of a committee raising funds for a new school far from "Mink Slide" when four policemen were shot and wounded there in the dark that night the mob was prowling.

Blair is not only charged with attempting to murder the policemen, but also with organizing the alleged attempt. He took the stand after the state closed its case. District Attorney Paul Bumpus put his 30th and final witness on the stand last night. None of the state witnesses identified any of the defendants as the persons alleged to have fired

the shots that hit the policemen.

Blair, however, let the court and jury know that the Columbia Negroes had good reason to be armed on that tragic February night.

"A lady came to my store about 1:30 in the afternoon and said a mob was forming to hang her daughter and grandson," he told the court. He identified those sought by the mob as ex-sailor James Stephenson and Stephenson's mother. The Stephensons had been arrested and lodged in jail after James struck a white radio repairman in his mother's defense.

"I wanted to get them out," Blair continued. "I was told the bail was \$3,500. Magistrate Denton advised me not to take them out. I told him we were not going to have any more social lynchings in Maury County. I just told him we wanted them, that the jail was no safe place for them. I took them out and advised my son Sol to get them out of town."

Magistrate Denton, who argued against taking the Stephensons out of jail, is C. H. Denton, who appeared earlier in court as state witness. Defense lawyer Z. A. Looby asked the court to allow him to introduce evidence alleging Denton was a leader of a mob in 1933 that lynched Cordie Cheek, 17-year-old Negro youth in Columbia.

Blair told the court how his son and James Beilanfant, defendants, put James Stephenson in an automobile and started up back roads to Bashville, 44 miles away. He exchanged cars twice and finally reached the Nashville railroad station. There they put Stephenson on a train for Chicago.

Blair said he not only saw the

white mob on the courthouse square, but was earlier told of the existence of the mob by Magistrate Denton. "I knew the jail didn't amount to anything when a mob was coming," Blair told the jury. "In previous times mobs took people out of jail."

Defense counsel Maurice Weaver asked the old Negro what he meant when he told Denton there would be no "social lynchings." Weaver asked how he intended to keep them down.

"By getting the boy out of the way," Blair replied.

Q. Did you aim to fight the mob? A. No, I didn't have the strength to do that. I tried to keep down strife.

JAIL CROWDED

Blair told how he was arrested by highway patrolmen after the "Mink Slide" shooting.

"I saw Sheriff Underwood in jail," Blair said. "He said to me: 'Julius, you got too many friends. They can't keep you in jail.' But they did. The jail was so crowded you couldn't sit down."

Before the defense began introduction of proof, Judge Joe M. Ingram overruled a motion by defense lawyer Z. A. Looby to direct a verdict of "not guilty" for all 25 defendants.

"There is not a scintilla of evidence connecting these defendants with any crime whatsoever," Looby told the court. "Prior to the occurrence (of the shooting) some defendants were seen in 'Mink Slide' with weapons. People were not seen in the area at any time."

The defense had 20 witnesses, all Negroes, in court this afternoon awaiting examination.

TWU Parley Gives Ovation To Soviet Union Leaders

Mikhail Tarasov, secretary of the All-Union Congress of Soviet Trade Unions and Soviet delegate to the World Federation of Trade Unions executive board, yesterday told 350 delegates to the CIO Transport Workers Union convention that Soviet workers stood for the same things they did, improvement of living conditions, security and a durable peace.

The arrival of Tarasov and four other Soviet trade union leaders was the high spot of the third day of the fifth biennial convention being held at the TWU Hall, 153 W. 64 St. The visitors were led to the stage by TWU delegates as Michael J. Quill, TWU president, said over the mike, "We are happy and proud to welcome the representatives of 22,000,000 organized workers."

Quill drew applause in his introduction when he said, "These are the fellows who they say have been sending us a lot of gold."

In a more serious vein he said, "This is the first time a TWU convention has greeted union leaders from the land of socialism, representing one-sixth of the earth. They come from a country of 170,000,000, living their own way, stretching out the hand of friendship. The workers of the world are learning to shake that hand, but the bankers and imperialists are

afraid of the very eyes of these men, of all they represent."

Tarasov took the microphone to a standing ovation. The grey-haired labor leader spoke in Russian, without notes, with periodic translations by pretty Galina Kulikova.

"The working people of all countries," said Tarasov, "want the same thing. We want no war, we want a stable and durable peace!" The translator was halted by a spontaneous outburst of applause.

Introducing the other Soviet union leaders, Tarasov said smilingly, "In spite of the slanders of some of your press, particularly the Hearst press, we are ordinary people like you. Come over to our country some time and meet us."

Introduced were I. Sidorenko, head of the electrical workers union, N. Gaisenk, head of the shipbuilding workers and a hero of the Battle of Berlin; V. Beresin, head of the airplane workers and M. Tikhomirov, secretary of the All Union Central

Council of Soviet Trade Unions.

Tarasov brought down the house when he revealed he had once been president of the Soviet railroad workers union, "a transport man like yourselves." He paid his respects to CIO leader Philip Murray as "one we all respect," and said the number one job of the day was "to strengthen the friendship of the workers of our countries and mobilize public opinion against fascist propaganda."

The convention unanimously passed a resolution calling on Truman to "drop the Hoover-Dewey-Vandenberg policy of aggression and return to the policies of the late great President Roosevelt."

The morning session heard an address by Louis Saillant, general secretary of the WFTU. Paying tribute to the American soldiers who died in Europe, Saillant, who was the leader of the French underground movement.

Elections will end the convention today.

Shipyard Union Administration Reneges on Unity Promise

By SID STEIN

SARATOGA SPRINGS, Sept. 27.—The administration of the shipyard union had pledged 48 hours ago to the convention that they would work to unite the union if the delegates who were formerly associated with the Save the Union Committee would drop the lawsuit which charged the administration with unlawfully stacking the last convention.

Today, however, after the three top officers were elected without opposition, it became clear that the administration had no thought of giving up machine rule. Local 16, the largest local, as well as Local 5, Boston, and Local 2, Chester, Pa., together representing about 25 percent of the union, were denied representation on the incoming GEB by a strict machine vote.

The delegations of these locals then cast almost all their votes for Ramsey MacDonald of Local 16, Kearney, N. J.; McGonick of Local

5, Boston, and Quinn and Belcher of Local 2, Chester.

Voting with these locals were Local 24 of Baltimore, Local 22, Local 60 of Perth Amboy, N. J., Local 3—a total of 133 votes out of 527.

A well-oiled administration machine denied every single appeal from union members on charges ranging from picketing the national office to signing a Communist nominating petition.

Henry Hahn, of Local 16, rose on a point of special privilege for permission to read an article from the Daily Worker on the murder of Mario Russo by Phelps-Dodge strikebreakers. After Hahn read the full article, John Green read a telegram from the state CIO and the convention stood in silence for one minute in tribute to the latest martyr in the cause of labor.

Wages and foreign policy are to be considered at the convention's last session tomorrow morning.